

ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAM ASSISTANT—Assist with implementing adult and family programming, and identifying new, exciting programs

SCHOOL/YOUTH PROGRAMS ASSISTANT—Assist with segments of the education programs, guide groups of children on trails with delivering existing educational information, assist w/developing and enhancing programs

SPECIAL EVENT PLANNING—Creating, planning, implementing, heading committees, collecting materials, setting up and hosting, etc.

RIVER TOUR ASSISTANT—Must be able to lift 60 lbs canoes with assistance to a height of 5' for loading and unloading, available 3rd Saturday of each month, be able to paddle a canoe or kayak for up to 3 hrs., learn/teach about river flora and fauna.

CENTER ATTENDANT/INSIDE INTERPRETER (ROVING INTERPRETER) – Conduct indoor and immediate area tours of the center, make visitors aware of programs and other aspects the center has to offer, welcome guests, be available for questions or suggestions on trails.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATION ASSISTANT—Attract, direct and train new volunteers, data entry, plan volunteer events.

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT—Create materials, mailings, etc.

DATABASE INPUT—Attendance, mailing list, scheduling, and photo records, etc.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & OUTREACH VOLUNTEER—Represent the Oxbow at community events; give off site presentations to school groups, community organizations, etc.

COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING—Assist with press releases, newsletters, brochures and web pages articles in handling and training of live exhibits.

EXHIBIT/DISPLAY DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE—Research and share ideas for exhibits, maintain and identify improvements for existing exhibits, rotating exhibits, etc.

FUNDRAISING—Locating and writing grants, finding other sources, seeking donations, etc.

OFFICE ASSISTANT—Assisting with phones, filing, program prep, computer file management, web searches, etc.

Environmental Resources

A Division of Public Works Department
6120 Glades Cutoff Road
Ft. Pierce, FL 34981
772-462-2526

Website: www.co.st-lucie.fl.us/erd



OR

Oxbow Eco-Center
5400 NE St. James Drive
Port St. Lucie, FL 34983
(772)785-5833

Email: oxbow@co.st-lucie.fl.us

Volunteer Opportunities



Natural Areas

Natural areas are parcels of property St. Lucie County purchases and sets aside for restoration, preservation and protection.

The responsibility of this Division is to handle the of preparation of the site for passive recreation and subsequent maintenance.

**LOOK FOR
DETAILS
INSIDE!**

We know,
volunteers are
**“Very Important People”
(VIP)**

and without them, we could not
accomplish goals we would
like to attain.

SO, we are setting up a BRAND NEW
phase of our Division as one of those
LONG TERM GOALS!

*If you are GOOD at thinking
outside the box OR just need to
keep your hands busy,
the Environmental Resources
Division and Oxbow Eco-Center
can use your help!*

Because the program is still in it's
infancy, you can also BE CREATIVE,
and we will listen!

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Natural Area Volunteer Days!

An activity planned once a month between
November and April to help spruce up our
various sites. Workdays begin at 8 a.m. and
work till you get tired but
not past noon, lunch for those
that stay! Call to join us!

OPPORTUNITIES

WORK KAMPER—Actually
become a part of the
“Wilderness”. This camper program assists
staff with opening and closing gate at sev-
eral sites, monitors trail for any potential
hazards, meets people, opens and closes gates
and oversees the kiosk publications for an
approximate 20 hour work week. The
preferred stay on site is six
months and amenities of
site, water, sewer offset the
zero fee camping. There are
NO cablevision or telephone
services available.

RANGER PATROL— Often, law
enforcement is unable to patrol on a daily
basis. A volunteer may assist by routinely
walking or bicycling a preserve to check for
any unauthorized activity, maintenance
needs or answer questions from hikers about
the preserve. Each volunteer will be issued a
t-shirt with proper identification and train-
ing.

GATEKEEPER—Is just like it
sounds. There are many sites that have
gates that need to be opened and closed at
dawn and dusk, per County ordinance. Sites
that need help are: Oxbow Eco-Center,
Wildcat Cove, Queens Island, Indrio Scrub,
Indrio Savannahs, Sheraton Scrub, St. Lucie
Village Heritage Site and Ocean Bay.



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OPPORTUNITIES

TRAIL HIKE GUIDES—Assist staff in taking
groups of people on guided hikes on each of the
natural areas of Environmentally Sensitive lands.
Learn the unique identifiers of each area and be
able to convey to attendees. Training will be
provided in current programs.

TRAIL STEWARD—You can select an natural
area that appeals to you and help with trail and
boardwalk maintenance, improve outdoor
amenities, stock kiosks, eliminate
invasive exotics, monitor native
plants and animals.

